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West Virginia.—Hon. P. G. Van Winkle ind Hon. Waltman T. Willey.

Tennessee.—Hon. David T. Patterson and Hon. Joseph S. Fowler.

SENATORS ABSENT.

The following Senators were absent: Hon. Wm. Sprague, of Rhode Island; Hon. Edgar Lowan and Hon. C. R. Buckalew, of Pennsylvania; Hon. George Read Riddle, of Delawars; Hon. James Guthrie, of Kentucky; Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana; Hon. B. Gratz Brown and Hon. John B. Henderson, of Missouri; Hon. Wm. M. Stewart and Hon. James W. Nye, of Nevada.

Hon. Lahystites S. Foster, President profess, a quorum of Sanators being present, called th. Senate to order at twelve o'clock m. CREDENHIALS.

called the Senate to order at twelve o'clock in Carpentrials.

The President pro tempore presented the gredentials of 110m. Luke P. Poland, elected a Senate by the Legislature of the State of Vermont, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hen. Jacob Collamer, for the term ending March 3, 1867.

The credentials were read, and the cathe prescribed by law were administered to Mr. Poland, and he took his seat in the Senate.

The President pro tempore presented the credentials of Hon. George P. Edmunds, elected a Senator by the Legislature of the State of Verment to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. Solomon Foot, for the term ending March 2, 1869.

The credentials were read, and the oathe prescribed by law were administered to Mr. Edmunds, and he took his seat in the Senate.

Mr. Possenden. I rise, Mr. President, to present a commission issued by the Governor of the State of New Jersey to Alexander G. Cattell, at a Senator to represent that State in the Congress of the United States, to fill a vacancy existing in the representation of the State of New Jersey to and during the term ending the 4th day of March, A. D. 1871. I understand that a corrilecte of the election ander the statute has be a filed with the President of the Senate.

I desire also to present the cr. dentials of Hon. Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, a spointed by the Governor of New Jersey to n.!! the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William Wright, late a Senator from that State.

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The President pro tem. presented the creentials of Hon. A. G. Cattell, elected a smaler by the Legislature of the State of lew Jersey for the residues of the term of iz years, commencing on the 4th of March.

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Borestion of the condition of these wards of the Government, are contained in the Commissioner's report, and will no doubt receive the attention of Congress.

During the year ending September 30, 1866, there were 14,030 applications for patents. Right thousand seven hundred and hixteen patents (including releases with artigory were issued; 1,415 applications were allowed, but patents have not issued thereon by reasen of the non-payment of the final free; 2,579 cervate were filed, and 55 articusions on patents were granted.

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During the same period the receipts were \$40,5115,500, and the expenditures \$254,507.73, leaving a balance of \$4116,179.07, which, added to \$111,578.19, the balance on hand September 30, 1805, makes the amount now in the twenty to the credit of the patent fund \$278,277.76.

The last annual report of this Department alladed to the law regulating appeals in years arising in the Patent Office. I am tunkle to perceive any stronger reason for granting un appeal to one of the justice of the supreme search of this District from the decision of the Commissioner of Pensions disallowing a pension claim, or from that of the Commissioner of Pensions disallowing a pension claim, or from that of the Commissioner of the judge does not have any more conclusive effect than the ruling of the arcentive officer. If adverse to the supplicate date it shall not a final determination of the Questions in containing the week of the patent does not imms. But if in his favor, even in interference assess, it is not a final determination of the Questions in containing the week of the patent does not imms. But if in his favor, even in interference assess, it is not a final determination of the Question in containing the patent of the Question of the patent of the patent of the Question in

ery of a line, with grades not exceeding sixty feet per mile, from Greas Sait Lake City to the valley of the Hambolett, nearest the Hambolett, narpe of mountains, a disance of two hundred and eight miles. For about one hundred and eight miles across the desert no fresh water was found by the across the desert no fresh water was found by the regimer. He is naticised, however, from his example, and the first range desir of the desert, and the first range desired first range desired the desert and the desert and the desert and the compact, respect that the amount actually common that have been prevented the subscriptions. This amount does not embrace the industries of the read from the mount of the part of the first two lands of the first range desired, the one in the desert of the desert and the company's desired the completion of the part of the subscription. This men that is not deserted the deserted of the first read from the mount of the first of the complete deserted the deser

come.

The Union Pacific Railway company, eastern division, have constructed their road to Fort Riley, one bundred and thirty-five miles west of the Missouri river, of which one hundred and thirty have been accepted by the Government, thus giving a construction of the second second

obstruction from snow during one half of the year.

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From the report of the architect of the Onpitol extension, it appears that the northern sad western portions of the northern portions are completed, and the columns of the sentence portions are seen to be not. It is believed that the employ or well writness the completion of all the persistent. Exterior have been made, which it is hoped will prove reconstitute to improve the important that objections his vanishation of the Senate changer and half of the Hesses of Representatives. In order to obtain a supply of air that thall at the same time by pure and, in the runmar, cool, it is proposed to construct from each half at madegycound dust, opening in the centre of a feuntain in the restern grounds.

quired to continue the work during the next float june.

The appropriation for lighting, by means of galvanic electricity, the 1,063 gas-burners of the dome, has preved a complete success. They can now be lighted in a few minutes. An interesting report so this subject has been prepared, at the request of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, by three sleet tricians of reputation, and is annexed to his servent report. The sum of \$44, 641.79 was expended on the dome during the year cading October 31, 1860, at which date there was minute a balance of \$1, 539,59. An appropriation of \$15,066 will be required to complete this work. The best between the second and third cornices of the returned should be ornamented by a series of national pictures, or in some other appropriate manner; and designs for in some other appropriate manner; and designs for it has purpose will be invited from eminent artists, if

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The amount paid for miscellaneous expenses, and feer vent of buildings for the use of the courts, is \$143,544.22.

The foregoing does not embrace the enlaries of the judges or other officers of the court; they are paid out of a special appropriation which is not under the control of this department.

I cannot too strongly urge upon Congress the necesselity which enlars for the erection of suitable buildings for the federal courts. The department is now compelled, is many instances, to lease property which is ill-adapted for the purpose, and where adequate security is not provided for the records and files. Faw houses belonging to private parties have been constructed with reference to judicial uses. As sarotitant rent is often demanded, and the Government, in more than one instance, has been constrained to submit to unreasonable exactions. Every consideration of economy and propriety requires that the United fistes should be the proprietor of the buildings where its courts are holden, and that the most ample accommodations should be furnished the judges and officers for the performance of their highly responsible duties.

DEFAULT JAIL.

The report of the warden shows that on the let of November there were confined in the District jail one hundred and thirty prisoners, of whom forty-nine were white and eighty-one were colored. The average number during the year was one hundred and filty size cutred the fusions Asylum, and three died. Right white boys were sentenced by the courts of the District to the Baltimore House of Refuges. It was impracticable to make such an armagement for the detention of young solored

among the inmates, and to impart to them the benefits of religious instruction.

During the year ending November 1, there were 2,065 commitments for various offences. The total expense of the jail, including the cost of transportation of convicts sentenced to the penisentiary at Albany, was \$32,625 97.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by an act of Congress, approved July 37, 1866, my predecessor designated a site for a new jail in the District. I have selected a plan and employed a competent architect to prepare a design and descriptive plans of the building, with complete specifications of the work required and the materials to be used. Netice of a public letting of the contract for the erection of the building will be given in the manner prescribed by Congress.

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MOURE OF CORRECTION.

The board of trustees appointed and commissioned conformably to the recent act to establish in this District a house of correction for boys have been duly organized; but the limited means at their disposal, and circumstances beyond their control, have readered it imprescibable to prepare the requisite permanent buildings for the reception of inmates. Boys under the age of sixteen convicted of crimes punishable by imprisonment may be sentenced by the courts of this District to the institution. The directors suggest that its benefits should not be confined to one sex, and that children of confirmed victous labits, who are beyond demestic control, at though not convicted of crime, should, on the application and at the expense of their parents of

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